

Home Hazardous Material Collection - Nov. 5!!

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Census Return Rate Low

If You Don't Fill Out Survey . . . It's Like Throwing Away \$1000!

In Goodyear, one out of every 13 households received a randomly mailed nine-question, six-minute Mid-Decade Census survey. As of October 5th, Goodyear's return rate was only 59%! If you did not respond to the survey the first time, a second Census Survey was mailed out to you on Friday, September 30.

Each of you who fills it out and mails it back represents 12 other households in this community. Each completed survey will bring \$206 per household/per year to the City in state-shared revenues that are distributed on a population basis. **SO**, over the next five years (until the 2010 Census), that represents \$1,030 for the 13 households you represent. That's right, that simple six-minute survey is worth \$1,030 to your city! **Think of it as a \$1000 bill you are throwing away if you don't fill it out!**

If all 2,757 surveys delivered in Goodyear are returned, it should bring an additional \$3.5 million into our City over the next five years. That's enough money to operate two new fire stations in Goodyear for one year!

However, if we don't do better than our current return rate of 59%, we will only receive about \$2 million. The return rate by areas of the city follows:

- ✓ 62%-80% in Estrella Mountain Ranch, Sunrise at Wigwam, PebbleCreek
- ✓ 51%-60% in Palm Valley and North Subdivisions
- ✓ 26%-50% in Wildflower, Canyon Trails, Cotton Flower, Estrella Vista, Wade Acres, Vanderbilt Farms, Sarival Village, Centerra and Historic Goodyear

Remember, your survey is completely confidential and protected by law. Nobody except the Census Bureau will have this information.

We're Counting on You!!!



You are Invited

City of Goodyear 2005 G.A.I.N. Event (Getting Arizona Involved in Neighborhoods)

Saturday, October 15, 2005

A good neighbor is one of the most effective crime prevention tools ever invented. G.A.I.N. is designed to enhance community block watch and police and fire partnerships to prevent crime.

Where & When?

- **North Subdivisions** from 3 to 7 pm at Parque de Paz
- **Canada Village** from 4 to 7 pm at Canada Village Park
- **Historic Goodyear** from noon to 4 pm in Loma Linda Park
- **Estrella Mountain Ranch** from noon to 2 pm at the North Lake
- **Estrella Vista** from 2 to 5 pm at the swimming pool park
- **Canyon Trails** from 4 to 8 pm at Desert Thunder School
- **Wildflower Ranch** from noon to 3 pm at Wildflower School

This year's G.A.I.N. event is presented by:



- ♦ **Free Food**
- ♦ **Music, Games**
- ♦ **Visits from Mayor, Council, Fire, Police and more**
- ♦ **Visit with neighbors**
- ♦ **Bring a lawn chair**

APS Crossings Church

BK Family

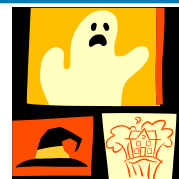
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The Nanci Budge Team

Keller Williams Professional Partners

SW Ambulance

Have a Howling Good Time at Our Howling Halloween Bash



Win prizes for your costume, decorate pumpkins, have fun at carnival games and on rides and bouncers. Arts & crafts for kids, cakewalk, DJ spinning spooky hits. Food for sale.



**Goodyear's Community Park
Friday, October 29 from 5 to 8:30 pm**

A Free Event!!



**Mayor Jim Cavanaugh and friends
at last year's G.A.I.N. event**

Mayor Encourages G.A.I.N. Event Participation

On Sat., Oct. 15, seven neighborhoods throughout Goodyear will host block parties to promote "community and friendship." This day-long event known as G.A.I.N. (Getting Arizonans Involved in Neighborhoods) provides neighbors an opportunity to get to know one another. It is the City's hope that by bringing people together, Goodyear's residents will have an increased sense of community which will result in stronger, safer neighborhoods.

These neighborhood get-togethers began in 1981 in 400 communities across the country as *National Night Out* – a night in August when neighbors were asked to turn on their front porch lights and sit on the porch to help make neighborhoods safer. In the 24 years since, the event has grown to involve more than 34 million people in over 10,000 communities from all 50 states. In Arizona, the event was moved to October because August evenings proved too hot to be outdoors. Its name also changed to G.A.I.N. Nationwide, the event's activities have expanded considerably over the years to include block parties, cookouts, parades, visits from police and Councils, festivals, neighborhood walks and safety fairs.

Goodyear's first G.A.I.N. event was held in Parque de Paz by dedicated citizens. Last year, after our Neighborhood Division was formed, Goodyear's G.A.I.N. event expanded to seven areas of our city – many organized by HOAs. Each event was organized by citizen volunteers who worked very hard to bring the residents of their communities together so neighbors could meet neighbors.

Participation in last year's event was tremendous and I am confident that we will have similar success this year. The same neighborhoods that hosted block parties last year will once again participate: North Subdivisions, Canada Village, Historic Goodyear, Estrella Mountain Ranch, Estrella Vista, Canyon Trails, and Wildflower Ranch. I can personally attest to how great these events will be because they were so well done last year! Members of City Council, City staff and our G.A.I.N. sponsors attended each party, riding in a double-decker London bus as part of a caravan that included a fire engine, police cars and motorcycles, and Cowboy Codey and his horse trailer.

We spent an entire Saturday visiting all seven parties. It was a wonderful experience meeting and talking with so many residents in such a fun-filled and relaxed setting. Kids were enjoying moon bounces. Everyone was eating hot dogs, cookies, snow cones and cotton candy. Historic Goodyear residents dressed in period costumes. Some neighborhoods held raffles. Welcome tables contained great

information about neighborhood block watch and many City services and programs. The kids at each event climbed on the city vehicles, explored the double-decker bus and fed carrots to Cowboy Codey's horse. But, above all, the events brought neighbors together.

Our upcoming October 15th G.A.I.N. events, just like last year, are meant to acquaint neighbors with neighbors — helping establish a "connection" to create stronger, safer neighborhoods. The G.A.I.N. event truly epitomizes the city's recently adopted slogan, "*Feel the Connection.*"

I know you will feel the connection if you attend a party being hosted in your area. Members of the City Council and I certainly look forward to visiting each party again this year and meeting residents we don't know yet.

Even if your HOA is not hosting a party, I encourage you to attend one of the seven Goodyear events to see what they are like. You could ask your HOA to participate next year or maybe you would like to host a small party in your neighborhood. Your party doesn't have to be elaborate to accomplish the purpose of G.A.I.N. Just having a pot luck get-together in your cul de sac or on your street will help form a stronger neighborhood.

I'd like to thank citizen volunteer Jenifer de la Garza, who took charge of this year's events, for all her hard work helping the neighborhoods with their parties. A big thank you also goes to the leaders in each of the seven participating neighborhoods who have put in many hours already. Our gratitude also goes to the many sponsors - without whom these events may not have been possible. Qwest is the Presenting Sponsor and APS and Crossings Church are both Supporting Sponsors. The Budge Group and Brenda Kilhoffer of BK Family Homes, both of Keller Williams Professional Partners are Contributing Sponsors, while Southwest Ambulance will host a Thank-You luncheon for the volunteer organizers.

Together - citizen volunteers, event sponsors and the City -- are improving the fabric of our community, neighborhood by neighborhood.



What's Missing?

City Needs Your Input for Budget Planning Purposes

Before the City staff begins developing the FY 2006-07 budget, we would like to hear what the citizens of Goodyear feel is needed in the way of future facilities, programs and services.

If you have had ideas of how to improve the quality of life in our community and would like to tell us about it, please plan to attend this Public Meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 26 in Room 117 of City Hall, 190 N. Litchfield Rd. from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Veterans Day - Friday, Nov. 11 is City Holiday

City offices will be closed on Veterans Day. However, there will be NO Interruption to contained or uncontained trash services on that day.

October is Domestic Violence Prevention Month



City employee Martie Polk (left), VP of the Desert Horizon Chapter of the International Association of Administrative Professionals (IAAP), presents cell phones collected by her organization to Terri Woodmansee, Goodyear's Crisis Services Coordinator. Cell phones are needed by many victims of domestic violence as a lifeline to phone for help if an abusive situation occurs. If you would like to donate phones, call 623-882-7677.



Goodyear City Council (l to r): Brenda Holland, Fred Scott, Dick Sousa, Mayor Jim Cavanaugh, Vice Mayor Frank Cavalier, Rob Antoniak and Georgia Lord

Council Calendar

All Council meetings and work sessions are held at the Goodyear Justice Facility, 986 S. Litchfield Rd.

**Monday, October 17 -
Work Session - 5 p.m.**

**November 4 & 5 -
Council Advance**

**Monday, October 24 -
Work Session - 5 p.m. &
Regular Meeting - 6 p.m.**

**Monday, November 7 -
No meeting**

**Monday, October 31 -
Work Session - 5 p.m.**

**Monday, November 14 -
Work Session - 5 p.m. &
Regular Meeting 6 p.m.**

JOB OPENINGS

Visit the City of Goodyear Web site at www.goodyearaz.gov or call the City's 24-hour hotline, (623) 932-1716, for job listings. Goodyear accepts applications only for open positions. The Human Resource Office is located at 190 N. Litchfield Rd.. Phone (623) 882-7752. TTY (623) 932-6500. EEO/M/F/V/H/D.



"RENTAL PROPERTY MUST BE REGISTERED WITH THE MARICOPA COUNTY ASSESSOR"

In August 1999, the Arizona Legislature passed the Residential Rental Property Statute, which requires all property owners to register their residential rental property. Registering rental property as required by A.R.S. 33-1902 will give public safety agencies a way to contact owners when emergencies or problems occur on their property.

If you own rental property, you can contact the Maricopa County Assessor's Office at (602) 506-3406 or <http://www.maricopa.gov/assessor> to determine what you need to do to get this property registered.

Failure to register a residential rental property carries a mandatory civil penalty of \$1000 plus \$100 for each additional month that the property is not registered.

If you have any questions about this process or problems on a rental near you, contact the Code Compliance Manager at 623-882-7815.

Household Hazardous Materials Day - Nov. 5!!

It's that time of the year again, where you can recycle or dispose of unwanted household hazardous waste materials that may be sitting in a cabinet in the house or out in the garage. Look for words like *poison*, *danger*, *warning* and *caution* on the label.

Bring those unwanted corrosive, toxic, flammable and poisonous materials to the Goodyear City Hall parking lot at 190 North Litchfield Road, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 5. This service is free to Goodyear residents so you will need to bring proof of residency (i.e. a utility bill, drivers license, voter registration) that shows your address.



Try to keep all products in their original containers and do NOT remove the labels. All lids and caps should be tightly sealed. If an item cannot be sealed tightly, place it in a sealed plastic bag. Place all of your items in a cardboard box for safe transport.

Items that will be collected

Adhesives	Flammables	Paint Removers
Aerosols	Fluorescent Tubes	Photography
Anti-Freeze	Fuel Additives	Chemicals
Art & Hobby Supplies	Fungicides	Poisons
Automotive Glue	Gardening	Primers
Automotive Products	Supplies	Propane Tanks
Bait	Gasoline	Rubbing Alcohol
Batteries (automotive or household)	Herbicides	Rug & Upholstery Cleaners
Brake Fluids	Injector Sprays	Sealers
Brake Sprays	Insecticides	Shoe Polishes
Carburetor Cleaners	Kerosene	Smoke Detectors
Caulking	Lacquers	Solvents
Charcoal Lighters	Linseed Oil	Spot Removers
Household Cleaners & Waxes	Lubricants	Wood Stains
Compressor Oils	Metal Conditioners	Thermometers
Correction Fluids	Mineral Spirits	Thermostats
Cutting Oils	Motor Oil	Tires (Passenger-type only)*
Engine Degreasers	Nail Polish/Removers	Transmission Fluids
Fertilizers	Oil Filters	Varnishes
Fire Extinguishers	Paint-Related Material	

Items that will NOT be collected

55-Gallon Drums of Waste
Air Conditioners
Ammunition
Biological Waste
Commercial/ Industrial Waste
Explosives
Glass
Infectious Wastes
Large Truck Tires *
Medical Waste
Metals
Papers/Newspapers
Plastics
Radioactive Waste
Refrigerators
Non-hazardous solid waste for landfills
Stoves / Ovens
Syringes
TVs
Water Heaters

**Wheels and rims must be removed from tires. No large or off-road tires will be accepted. There will be a 5-tire limit per vehicle.*

Katrina Fundraisers Bring \$8,400 for Slidell, LA

Two events held by the City of Goodyear recently raised \$8400 and a trailer full of dry goods for our adopted City of Slidell, La. At Recreation's Sept. 16th *Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory* Movie in the Park, more than a hundred residents attended and most donated to the Katrina Fund. Three donors received winning Willy Wonka bars for gift baskets containing popcorn and candy to make the movie even better!

The next day, 36 City of Goodyear employees voluntarily participated in a "Boot and Bucket" collection event at various corners of Litchfield Rd. The event was organized by the Fire, Police and Public Works departments.

A Slidell Councilmember called before the events to thank us for our help and to let us know they just got phone service after 3 weeks. She said their City Hall has been destroyed — but wasn't hindering the spirit of their City employees!

Thanks to all who donated!



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www.goodyearaz.gov

Upcoming City Special Events

Concerts in the Park



Fri, Oct. 14 -
One Class Act
Enjoy the sounds of
this great blues band.

6:30 pm in Goodyear Community Park. Bring lawn chairs. Food for sale. Info: 623-882-7534

Movies in the Park



Fri., Oct. 21 -
E.T - the
Extraterrestrial

6:30 pm in Goodyear Community Park. Bring lawn chairs. Food for sale. Info: 623-882-7534